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# Longwood Presbyterian Church

## Newsletter

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### MUP NEWS:

Presbytery met August 19<sup>th</sup> at First Presbyterian, Vandalia, MO. Here are some of the highlights of the day:

- The Presbytery recognized the following ordination anniversaries:
  - Rev. William Young, 50 years
  - Rev. Joe Tagliaferre, 35 years
- The Presbytery voted to hold the February 27, 2024 stated meeting of the Presbytery at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Marshall.
- Rev. Deborah Boucher-Payne shared an overview of her sabbatical.
- Rev. Rick Watson preached on the Great Commission and the Presbytery celebrated the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.
- 17 people received an Evelyn Bedell Award!!!
- The Presbytery approved a new Family Leave Policy, and it will be posted to the webpage.
- The Youth Ministry Committee reported on the summer youth mission trip and camps
- The Presbytery voted to transfer the Rev. Jay Ayers (HR) to the Lake Michigan Presbytery and Rev. Jon Reinink to the Whitewater Valley Presbytery.
- Elder Jim Carder, First Presbyterian Church in Jefferson City, was elected as the new moderator of the Finance Committee and Rev. Rob Hughes, Broadway Presbyterian Church, Sedalia, was elected to serve on the Administrative Commission for Climax Springs.

Special thanks to the First Presbyterian Church of Vandalia for their wonderful hospitality!

### Pastor Search Committee

Longwood and Covenant Marshall PNC members continue to meet and search for a new pastor. We have re-entered our data on a new website with CLC2 (the new Church Leadership Connection website), and have received two inquiries, one of which we have reached out to for more discussion. It's a slow



process, but we are dedicated to our mission.

Every opportunity you have, let our interim pastor, Rev. Phil Olson, know how much you appreciate his dedication! Come and worship with us! Everyone is welcome!

### JOYS AND CONCERNS

We continue to pray for our friends and family members, some who have health concerns and some who are on the mend. We especially pray for:

- Olivia Barnes (fracture)
- Barb Lawrence (surgery)
- Deb Olson (surgery)
- Dennis Brown
- Jan Pummill

Email your news-worthy information to:  
[jrgreer@iland.net](mailto:jrgreer@iland.net) Thanks!!

### EVENTS CALENDAR

#### September

Sept 26	Session meeting, 6:30 p.m.
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#### October

Oct. 14	LPC Lord's Acre Sale
Oct. 18	Women's PW meeting
Oct. 21	MUP Women's PW meeting @ First Presbyterian, Jefferson. City
Oct. 28	Range Line's Lord's Acre Sale & meal
Oct. 29	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Basket Dinner after worship

### 2023 LORD'S ACRE SALE

Our annual sale is set for October 14<sup>th</sup> with a new auctioneer this year. Scott Slaughter will be crying the sale for us. This will be his first time to cry our sale. As in the past, lunch will be served by the ladies PW beginning at 11:00. Sale will start around 1:00. Becky Barnes will be Committee Chair this year, so you can contact her or any of the session members if you have questions, or have contributions to the sale. We look forward to seeing everyone this year.

## PRESBYTERY WOMEN

Longwood PW met on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, hosting a luncheon for our guests, Shonda Galloway and Mary Hoskins, co-moderators of MUP PW. As our ladies usually do, they put on a spread of wonderful food. We had such a good time visiting and getting to know these impressive women. We were delighted to hear that Shonda is representing our area as she serves on the Board of Directors of Churchwide PW. They encouraged us to attend the PW Gatherings in our presbytery and let us know about several upcoming functions. One such function for all women in MUP is a presentation by Rev. Deborah Boucher-Payne "An Island of Sacred Encounters with Presbyterian Women" which will be held on Saturday, October 21, 2023, (9 am-2:30pm) at First Presbyterian Church of Jefferson City. Anyone interested in attending please contact me for further information.

Our next PW meeting will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 18th, delayed a week because of our Lord's Acre Sale scheduled Saturday, Oct. 14th. We will be studying Lesson #7 in our Horizons Bible Study, led by Betty Romig. Everyone is welcome, so come join us!

Blessings,  
Sharon

## Projects at Longwood PC

We had some damage done to the church with a hail storm that came through in March. So some of the repairs have been done, but replacement to the damaged church siding is still waiting on materials. If you would like to volunteer some of your time, please get in touch with Sam Barnes or JR Greer (building maintenance committee).

## Sunday school activities

Sunday school will be restarting soon. We will be studying from the NIV Bible. Watch for more reports later.

## Our Kids!

We really enjoy hearing about the many accomplishments of the kids in our church. It is part of our church life and growth to see them grow and learn. Here are some of the latest news about them:

Jackson and Christian are playing tackle football on the Northwest Mustangs 3/4 grade team and they love it!

Maddie and Olivia are on the same volleyball team with Sedalia Parks and Rec and excited for their season to begin. We're very sorry about Olivia's injury and hope for her speedy recovery.

Emma Barnes is also playing volleyball, but she's on a different team than her sister. Tim is coaching the Northwest Mustangs High School football team. Come out and see a game! The athletic association is raffling off 4 tickets to the Eagles vs. Chiefs game. The drawing will be announced at the homecoming game in October, but you don't have to be present to win. Encourage people to buy a ticket and support the school's athletes.

Zane Kenyon is involved in lots of swimming these days, and Paisley Brown is playing volley ball.

We are proud of all our kids and really enjoy hearing about their work. Good luck to all.

